STATEMENT OF P.O. DAPHNE SEBASTIAN

CONDUCTED BY INVESTIGATOR KILLEN

ON OCTOBER 21, 2014 AT 0507 HOURS

AT AREA CENTRAL POLICE HEADQUARTERS

LOG# 1072125
Attachment 75 158

1	KILLEN:	This is the audio recorded interview of Officer
2		Daphne regarding Log number 1072125 U number 14
3		dash 36. Today (NOISE) is the 21st of October
4		2014. And the time is approximately 0507 hours.
5		This statement is bein' taken at Area Central
6		Police Headquarters. Uh my name is Investigator
7		Killen, that's spelled K I L L E N. My star
8		number is 1 2 9. (noise) Present is uh Attorney
9		Dan Herbert. Dan if you would.
10	HERBERT:	D A N, Herbert, H E R B E R T.
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12	KILLEN:	And also FOP Rep Kriston Kato.
13	KATO:	K R I S T O N. Last name is K A T O. FOP field
14		representative.
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16	KILLEN:	And then Officer Sebastian if you would say and
17		spell your first and last names for me.
18	P.O.SEBAS	TIAN: My first name is Daphne, D A P H N E. My
19		last name is Sebastian, S E B A S T I A N.
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21	KILLEN:	And what's your star number?
22	P.O.SEBAS	TIAN: 2 7 6 3.
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24	KILLEN:	And your employee number?
25	P.O.SEBAS	TIAN:
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27	KILLEN:	And your date of appointment with the Department?
28	P.O.SEBAS	TIAN: 30 September '02.
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30	KILLEN:	And your date of birth?
31	P.O.SEBAS	TIAN:

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1 KILLEN: And your current unit of assignment? P.O.SEBASTIAN: 8th District. 2 3 4 KILLEN: How long you been assigned to 8? 5 P.O.SEBASTIAN: The entire time, 12 years. Well after the 6 Academy, so 11. 7 8 KILLEN: All right and are you prepared to give a 9 statement now? 10 P.O.SEBASTIAN: Yes. 11 12 KILLEN: Okay. 13 P.O.SEBASTIAN: Uh this statement is not being given 14 voluntary but under duress. I am only giving 15 this statement because I know I will be fired if 16 I refuse. 17 18 KILLEN: And you're aware that this statement has the 19 standing of an official Department report. And 20 any intentional falsification of 21 question, any answer to any question would be in 22 direct violation of Department rules and 23 regulations? 24 P.O.SEBASTIAN: Yes. 25 KILLEN: 26 Given that, I'd like to remind you that failure 27 to provide a complete and accurate account of 28 this incident could result in a finding of Rule 29 14 with uh discipline leading up to and including 30 separation from the Chicago Police Department. 31 Do you understand that?

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P.O.SEBASTIAN: Yes.

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2	KILLEN:	All right so what was your duty status and
3		assignment on 20 October 2000, 2014 at
4		approximately 2150 hours?
5	P.O.SEBAS	STIAN: On duty. Full uniform um working Beat 813
6		Robert with a partner.
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8	KILLEN:	Okay who's your partner?
9	P.O.SEBAS	ETIAN: Janet Mondragon.
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11	KILLEN:	Okay and where was uh what's your regular start
12		time?
13	P.O.SEBAS	TIAN: 2100.
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15	KILLEN:	Okay. And then uh I know you said you were in
16		full uniform. So was Officer Mondragon?
17	P.O.SEBAS	TIAN: Yes sir.
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19	KILLEN:	And you and Officer Mondragon were assigned a
20		vehicle?
21	P.O.SEBAS	TIAN: Yes.
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23	KILLEN:	What kinda vehicle?
24	P.O.SEBAS	TIAN: Uh marked vehicle number 8 7 7 9.
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26	KILLEN:	That a car, Tahoe?
27	P.O.SEBAS	TIAN: That's a, uh Explorer.
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29	KILLEN:	Okay. All right and then on 20 October 2014
30		approximately 2150 hours you and Officer
31		Mondragon were witness to a police-involved

shooting correct?

P.O.SEBASTIAN: Correct.

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- 3 KILLEN: And if you would just from the beginning just
- 4 explain to me what happened?
- 5 P.O.SEBASTIAN: Uh we were responding to a call for uh to
- assist Beat 815 Robert. Um they had called to 6
- 7 get a taser because they said that their offender
- 8 had a knife.

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- 10 KILLEN: And do you recall where you were at when you
- 11 received that?
- P.O.SEBASTIAN: Uh right around 55th and Kostner. 12

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- 14 KILLEN: Okay. And you received, you're getting all that
- 15 information over the radio correct?
- 16 P.O.SEBASTIAN: Correct.

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- 18 KILLEN: Dispatch?
- 19 P.O.SEBASTIAN: Hmm huh.

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- 21 KILLEN: Okay. Um and then were you the driver or
- 22 passenger?
- 23 P.O.SEBASTIAN: I was the passenger.

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- 25 KILLEN: So then Officer Mondragon and you drive over to
- 26 where, 815 --
- 27 P.O. SEBASTIAN: Is calling for help, yes.

- 29 KILLEN: Okay and what happens when you get there?
- 30 P.O.SEBASTIAN: Um as we're in route I would get further
- 31 information that the offender is going eastbound
- 32 towards uh the Burger King, towards Pulaski on

1		foot. That he has a knife in hand. And then um
2		additionally that he punctured the tire of 815
3		Robert's car. We were northbound on Pulaski um
4		behind 845 Robert. Uh we turned westbound on 40^{th}
5		Street which is just, the street just north of
6		the Burger King parking lot. Um as we got to the
7		Burger King parking lot 845 Robert went into the
8		parking lot um and we uh had information that the
9		offender was running through that parking lot.
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12	KILLEN:	You got that information over the radio?
13	P.O.SEBAS	STIAN: Over the radio, hmm huh. Yes. Um I see the
14		offender at quite a distance. My partner does
15		not. Um I tell her, we decide to go out onto
16		Pulaski to try and cut the offender off on
17		Pulaski. (noise) So she turns goes back on 40 th
8		Street and then goes to Pulaski southbound.
9		(noise) Once we get southbound on Pulaski we get
20		to 41st Street where the offender is uh running in
21		front of like southbound um in the middle of the
22		street of Pulaski. Like in front of our car,
23		away from us. (noise)
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25	KILLEN:	So the first time you see (noise) the offender
26		where are you?
27	P.O.SEBAS	TIAN: First (noise) time I see the offender is
28		when (noise) we're um turning around in the
29		Burger King parking lot. The driveway of the
0		Burger King.

- INDEPENDENT POLICE REVIEW AUTHORITY LOG #1072125 U#14-36 KILLEN: So that's after you come up Pulaski onto 40th and 1 2 into the parking lot? 3 P.O.SEBASTIAN: Correct. Yes. 4 5 KILLEN: So you're basically just going back around? 6 P.O.SEBASTIAN: Yes. 8 KILLEN: And when you see him he's runnin'? P.O. SEBASTIAN: He's runnin' yes. 10 11 Which way does he go? KILLEN: 12 P.O.SEBASTIAN: He's running uh southeast basically through 13 the parking (noise) lot. 14
- KILLEN: So toward Pulaski from --15
- 16 P.O.SEBASTIAN: Correct.

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- KILLEN: -- 40th Street. 18
- 19 P.O.SEBASTIAN: Yes.

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- 21 KILLEN: And when you see 'em you see 'em with a knife?
- 22 P.O.SEBASTIAN: I did not see a knife at that time. No.

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- 24 KILLEN: If you had to guess at how far away he was, when
- 25 you first saw 'em?
- 26 P.O.SEBASTIAN: Uh well we were at one end of the parking
- 27 lot so all the way to the other, I mean several
- 28 yards. Prob'ly (noise) 50 yards.

- 30 KILLEN: (noise) Okay. So then by the time Officer
- 31 Mondragon's able to turn it around get back onto
- 32 Pulaski and go south --

1	P.O.SEBAS	TIAN: Hmm huh.
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3	KILLEN:	the offender is, is that when he's running
4		south in the street?
5	P.O.SEBAS	TIAN: Correct. (noise) He's already in the street
6		running south.
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8	KILLEN:	And then
9	P.O.SEBAS	TIAN: At that time I can see the knife in his hand
10		as we're getting closer to him (noise) I can see
11		the knife. Um he has it in his right hand and
12		he's actually waving it back and forth. Like
13		front to back. Moving his arm back and forth as
14		he's um maybe like a fast walk, slow run
15		southbound on Pulaski.
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17	KILLEN:	Okay so what happens? So he's goin' south, you
18		guys are goin' south.
19	P.O.SEBAST	FIAN: Hmm huh.
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21	KILLEN:	What happens?
22	P.O.SEBAST	TIAN: Um
23	HERBERT:	Got to say yes.
24	P.O.SEBAST	TIAN: Yes.
25	HERBERT:	No hmm huh's.
26	P.O.SEBAST	TIAN: Oh sorry. Yes.
27	HERBERT:	That's okay.
28	P.O.SEBAST	TIAN: Uh we get to 41st Street um 845 Robert is
29		already Officers Walsh and Van Dyke are already

out of the car. Um we see the offender um in the

street still waving his, his arm with the knife.

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1		Uh I heard several shots fired and the offender
2		fell to the ground.
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4	KILLEN:	At the time did you know who was shooting?
5	P.O.SEBAS	ETIAN: I did not.
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7	KILLEN:	Did you see like Officer Van Dyke out there gun
8		pointed at 'em?
9	P.O.SEBAS	STIAN: I saw Officer Van Dyke and, and Officer
10		Walsh both had their guns drawn. But my
11	A	attention at the time of the shots fired were
12		towards the offender. Cause we were still in
13		motion. We were still moving
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15	KILLEN:	Goin' south on
16	P.O.SEBAS	TIAN: Yeah we were still moving. Cause we were
17		slow you know goin' slow at the time. (noise)
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19	KILLEN:	So when you, when you're goin' slow south on
20		Pulaski where's the offender?
21	P.O.SEBAS	TIAN: He's in front of us.
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23	KILLEN:	He's still in, in the street?
24	P.O.SEBAS	TIAN: Hmm huh. Yes, yes.
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26	KILLEN:	You see he's wavin' a knife back and forth is he
27		wavin' it at somebody or whaddoes he do?
28	P.O.SEBAS	TIAN: He was (noise) waving it (noise) before he
29		got towards 845 Robert he was just swinging his
30		arm back and forth. I mean he's doing all kinds
31		of like twisting body motions as he's walking.
32		(noise) Um when he got closer to them and they

1		got outta the vehicle, it (noise) he turned his
2		body towards them like the knife like (noise) in
3		a motion towards them. His, (noise) his right
4		arm did. (noise)
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6	KILLEN:	And did you see where Officers Van, Van Dyke and
7		Walsh came from? Or did they come north on
8		Pulaski toward 'em or
9	P.O.SEBAS	TIAN: No. They were, they had also come from,
10		they went southbound and they were like in the,
11		um they were in the northbound lanes. And they
12		went down past him um in front of him at a great
13		distance. So they were several feet
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15	KILLEN:	So they went south on the other side of the
16		street in the northbound lanes?
17	P.O.SEBAS	TIAN: Yeah. Yeah.
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19	KILLEN:	They went south.
20	P.O.SEBAS	TIAN: They went south like, like cause this, the
21		offender was walking kinda down the middle of the
22		street. So they went in the northbound lanes and
23		then kind of cut across in, in, in front of him.
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25	KILLEN:	Okay.
26	P.O.SEBAS	TIAN: Okay as to stop 'em. There was a Dunkin'
27		Donuts on the (noise) uh east side of the street.
28		So kind of in between him and the Dunkin' Donuts
29		basically (noise) what it was.
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31	KILLEN:	Does he stop walking when they cut in front of
32		'em?

1 P.O.SEBASTIAN: No he doesn't. He's still moving. 2. 3 Is that when he turns, so he faces --P.O.SEBASTIAN: Hmm huh yeah he's still, he's still moving 5 yes. 6 7 KILLEN: And you see, you saw Officers Van Dyke and Walsh 8 get outta the car? 9 P.O.SEBASTIAN: I saw them outta the car, yes. 10 11 KILLEN: Okay saw them with guns drawn? 12 P.O.SEBASTIAN: I did. 13 14 KILLEN: Pointed at the offender? P.O.SEBASTIAN: Yes. 15 16 17 KILLEN: But you didn't see who was shootin'? 18 P.O.SEBASTIAN: I did not. 19 20 At the time you couldn't tell? KILLEN: 21 P.O.SEBASTIAN: At the, at that time honestly at that time 22 my attention was towards the offender. (someone 23 clears throat) 24 25 KILLEN: And then, but you heard gunshots? 26 P.O.SEBASTIAN: Hmm huh. Heard gunshots. 27 28 KILLEN: Okay. Could you guess at how many you heard? 29 P.O. SEBASTIAN: I, I really don't know. 30

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KILLEN:

And what happens after you hear the gunshots?

1	P.O.SEBAS	TIAN: We get out of the vehicle. My partner stops
2		the vehicle, we get out. Um actually (noise) we
3		get out, we see that the offender is no longer a
4		threat. As, as my partner comes out of the car,
5		she notices that the southbound traffic is coming
6		like uh citizens vehicles coming towards the, the
7		crime scene. Cuz they're coming off of a hill,
8		off of the expressway. (noise) So um you know
9		(noise) there were plenty of officers over there
10		attending to that. Our attention turned to the
11		traffic and stopping the citizens from driving
12		into the crime scene. (noise)
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14	KILLEN:	And when you say the offender's no longer a
15		threat, whadda you mean by that?
16	P.O.SEBAS	TIAN: I didn't see that there was any more
17		movement. Um Officer Walsh, I saw Officer Walsh
18		(noise) um kick the knife, the, he still had the
19		knife in his hand. (noise) You could see that.
20		And he kicked it away from 'em and it was no
21		more, I didn't see any movement from the
22		offender.
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24	KILLEN:	So is the offender still standing at this time or
25		is he
26	P.O.SEBAS	TIAN: Oh no he's on the ground.
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28	KILLEN:	Okay.
29	P.O.SEBAS	TIAN: Yeah he's on the ground.
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31	KILLEN:	So after the gunshots he's on the ground?
32	P.O.SEBAS	TIAN: Yes.

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2	KILLEN:	And then Officer Walsh kicks the knife from his
3		hand.
4	P.O.SEBAS	STIAN: Hmm huh. Yes.
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6	KILLEN:	And that's what you mean by he's no longer a
7		threat now?
8	P.O.SEBAS	STIAN: Yes.
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10	KILLEN:	Okay. All right. All right is there anything
11		you'd like to add?
12	P.O.SEBAS	STIAN: No.
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14	KILLEN:	And everything you told me is a true and accurate
15		account of what occurred?
16	P.O.SEBAS	GTIAN: Yes sir.
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18	KILLEN:	All right this will uh conclude the audio
19		recorded interview of Officer Daphne Sebastian
20		regarding Log number 1072125 U number 14 dash 36.
21		Today is the 21 st of October 2014. The time is
22		approximately 0519 hours.

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6	recording of the above-mentioned proceeding to the best of
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